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Title:

ANALYTICAL X-RAY APPARATUS PROVIDED WITH A SOLID STATE

POSITION SENSITIVE X-RAY DETECTOR

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 4. (amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the assembly formed by the detector array (42) and the electronic read-out circuits (48) is accommodated on a common support (55) made of a ceramic material.
- 5. (amended) A position sensitive detection device for detecting radiation as defined in claim 1.

## REMARKS

The foregoing amendments to the claims were made solely to avoid filing the claims in the multiple dependent form so as to avoid the additional filing fee.

The claims were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserve all rights they may have under the Doctrine of Equivalents. Applicants furthermore reserve their right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein at a later time during the prosecution of this application or continuing applications.

Respectfully summitted,

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## APPENDIX

- 4. (amended) A device as claimed in one of the preceding claims 1, wherein the assembly formed by the detector array (42) and the electronic read-out circuits (48) is accommodated on a common support (55) made of a ceramic material.
- 5. (amended) A position sensitive detection device for detecting radiation as defined in one of the preceding claims 1.